

Washington Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

2004 Tobacco Survey Results

King County

What is your age?

n = 1143

18 - 34	30.9%	(± 3.4%)
35 - 54	44.8	(± 3.4)
55 - 74	17.3	(± 2.3)
75+	7.0	(± 1.4)

Gender

n = 1143

Male	48.3%	(± 3.5%)
Female	51.7	(± 3.5)

Which one of these groups would you say best represents your race...

n = 1127

White	79.7%	(± 3.0%)
Black or African American	4.2	(± 1.4)
Asian	8.0	(± 2.1)
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.9	(± 0.8)
American Indian, Alaska Native	1.4	(± 0.9)
Other race	5.1	(± 1.7)
No preferred race	0.6	(± 0.5)

Are you Hispanic or Latino/Latina?

n = 1137

Yes	7.8%	(± 2.1%)
No	92.2	(± 2.1)

Marital status

n = 1137

Married	57.5%	(± 3.4%)
Divorced	7.6	(± 1.5)
Widowed	4.3	(± 1.0)
Separated	1.7	(± 0.8)
Never been married	20.7	(± 3.0)
Or a member of an unmarried couple	8.2	(± 2.1)

How many children less than 18 years of age live in your household?

n = 1138

None	56.3%	(± 3.5%)
1	18.5	(± 3.0)
2	17.9	(± 2.6)
3 or more	7.3	(± 1.9)

What is the highest grade or year of school you completed?

n = 1139

Some high school or less	7.1%	(± 1.9%)
High school graduate or GED	18.1	(± 2.8)
Some college or technical school	25.8	(± 3.0)
College graduate or more	49.0	(± 3.4)

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Are you currently. . .

n = 1141

Employed for wages	51.3%	(± 3.4%)
Self-employed	9.7	(± 2.1)
Out of work	7.2	(± 1.9)
Homemaker	9.2	(± 1.8)
Student	5.9	(± 1.9)
Retired	13.1	(± 1.9)
Or unable to work	3.6	(± 1.2)

Annual household income from all sources

n = 964

Less than \$20,000	11.9%	(± 2.6%)
\$20,000 to less than \$50,000	33.9	(± 3.5)
\$50,000 or more	54.1	(± 3.7)

Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes in your entire life?

n = 2902

Yes	40.5%	(± 2.1%)
No	59.5	(± 2.1)

Among those that have smoked at least 100 cigarettes in their entire life:**Do you now smoke cigarettes everyday, some days, or not at all?**

n = 1202

Everyday	23.6%	(± 2.9%)
Some days	13.4	(± 2.5)
Not at all	63.0	(± 3.3)

Among current smokers:**During the past 12 months, have you stopped smoking for 1 day or longer because you were trying to quit smoking?**

n = 408

Yes	59.4%	(± 5.5%)
No	40.6	(± 5.5)

Current cigarette smoking prevalence:

n = 2901

(every day or some day smokers among the whole population)	15.0%	(± 1.6%)
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Among those that have smoked at least 100 cigarettes:**Did you smoke any cigarettes during the past 30 days?**

n = 448

Yes	42.8%	(± 5.5%)
No	57.2	(± 5.5)

Among those that have smoked in the past 30 days:**On how many days of the past 30 days did you smoke cigarettes?**

n = 172

Less than 30 days	39.4%	(± 8.6%)
30 days	60.6	(± 8.6)

Among those that have smoked in the past 30 days:**On average, about how many cigarettes per day do you smoke, on the days that you do smoke?**

n = 173

Average:	11.1	(± 1.5)
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Have you ever tried using smokeless tobacco, like chew, dip or snuff?			n = 1125
Yes	15.1%	(± 2.6%)	
No	84.9	(± 2.6)	

Among those that have ever tried smokeless tobacco:

On how many of the past 30 days did you use smokeless tobacco products?			n = 140
None	86.7%	(± 7.1%)	
Less than 30 days	7.5	(± 5.0)	
30 days	5.8	(± 5.6)	

Current smokeless tobacco prevalence:			n = 1125
(any use in past 30 days among the whole population)	2.0%	(± 1.2%)	

In the past month, have you smoked a cigar, even just a puff?			n = 1123
Yes	5.8%	(± 2.0%)	
No	94.2	(± 2.0)	

Current tobacco use (all types of tobacco)			n = 1124
Current daily tobacco user	21.2%	(± 3.0%)	
Current non-tobacco user	78.8	(± 3.0)	

Among former smokers:

About how long has it been since you last smoked cigarettes regularly, that is, daily?			n = 274
Within the past month (less than 1 month ago)	0.2%	(± 0.4%)	
Within the past 3 months (1-3 months ago)	2.7	(± 2.4)	
Within the past 6 months (3-6 months ago)	1.1	(± 1.3)	
Within the past year (6-12 months ago)	3.1	(± 2.7)	
Within the past 5 years (1-5 years ago)	15.1	(± 6.1)	
Within the past 15 years (5-15 years ago)	23.5	(± 6.1)	
More than 15 years ago	51.2	(± 6.9)	
Never used regularly	3.2	(± 2.8)	

Among former smokers:

When you last smoked cigarettes regularly, on average, how many days per month did you smoke?			n = 268
Average:	29.0	(± 1.6)	

Among former smokers:

When you last smoked cigarettes regularly, on average, how many cigarettes did you smoke per day?			n = 268
Average:	18.2	(± 2.2)	

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Among never smokers less than 30 years old:

Do you think that you will smoke a cigarette anytime during the next year?			n = 61
Definitely yes	2.7%		N/A
Probably yes	9.5		N/A
Probably no	11.0		N/A
Definitely no	76.8		N/A

Among never smokers less than 30 years old:

If you or your best friends offered you a cigarette, would you smoke it?			n = 61
Definitely yes	1.2%		N/A
Probably yes	1.8		N/A
Probably no	7.3		N/A
Definitely no	89.8		N/A

Among current tobacco users:

About how much do you usually spend on tobacco products every week?			n = 196
Less than \$25	74.5%	($\pm 7.5\%$)	
At least \$25 but less than \$55	24.9	(± 7.5)	
More than \$55	0.6	(± 0.7)	

Among current tobacco users:

In the past month, did you buy tobacco on a Native American reservation?			n = 206
Yes	17.6%	($\pm 6.7\%$)	
No	82.4	(± 6.7)	

Among current tobacco users:

In the past month, did you buy tobacco from the Internet?			n = 208
Yes	2.9%	($\pm 2.6\%$)	
No	97.1	(± 2.6)	

Among current tobacco users:

During the past month, did you buy tobacco outside the state to save money - not just because you were traveling?			n = 209
Yes	4.6%	($\pm 3.5\%$)	
No	95.4	(± 3.5)	

Among current/former tobacco users:

People close to me are/were upset by my using tobacco.			n = 447
Strongly agree	42.3%	($\pm 5.5\%$)	
Somewhat agree	21.8	(± 4.5)	
Somewhat disagree	21.0	(± 4.5)	
Strongly disagree	14.9	(± 3.9)	

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Among current/former tobacco users:

When was the last time a DOCTOR or other healthcare provider advised you to quit, if ever? n = 460

Within the past year (1-12 months)	21.3%	(± 4.5%)
Within the past three years (1-3 years)	6.5	(± 2.7)
3 or more years ago	20.6	(± 4.7)
They never advised me to quit	51.6	(± 5.5)

Among current/former tobacco users:

When was the last time a DENTIST advised you to quit, if ever? n = 459

Within the past year (1-12 months)	8.3%	(± 3.0%)
Within the past three years (1-3 years)	3.1	(± 1.9)
3 or more years ago	8.8	(± 3.6)
They never advised me to quit	79.9	(± 4.6)

Among current/former tobacco users:

When was the last time a PHARMACIST advised you to quit, if ever? n = 465

Within the past year (1-12 months)	1.7%	(± 1.3%)
Within the past three years (1-3 years)	0.0	(± 0.0)
3 or more years ago	1.1	(± 1.0)
They never advised me to quit	97.2	(± 1.6)

Among those advised to quit:

Did the health care professional who advised to quit offer any help, or refer you to a source of help to quit tobacco use? n = 223

Yes	49.8%	(± 8.1%)
No	50.2	(± 8.1)

What type of health coverage do you use to pay for most of your medical care? Is it coverage through. . . n = 964

Your employer	45.8%	(± 3.7%)
Someone else's employer	22.6	(± 3.3)
A plan that you or someone buys on your own	13.4	(± 2.5)
Medicare	10.9	(± 1.9)
Medicaid or Medical Assistance	5.5	(± 2.0)
The military, CHAMPUS, or the VA	1.6	(± 0.9)
The Indian Health Service	0.0	(± 0.0)
Some other source	0.1	(± 0.2)

Among current and recent former smokers:

Within the past year, have you heard about any programs in your community to help you quit using tobacco, such as classes, support groups or counseling services? n = 171

Yes	50.8%	(± 8.9%)
No	49.2	(± 8.9)

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Among current and recent former smokers:

Within the past year, did your employer offer any stop-smoking class or other programs to help employees quit using tobacco? n = 86

Yes	10.5%	(± 7.0%)
No	89.5	(± 7.0)

Among current and recent former smokers with health care coverage:

Does your health care insurance coverage pay for the cost of any help to quit using tobacco, such as a stop-smoking program or nicotine patches, pills or other medications? n = 131

Yes	29.7%	(± 9.1%)
No	40.9	(± 9.8)
Don't know/Not sure	29.4	(± 8.8)

Among current and recent former smokers:

Have you heard about the Washington State "Quit-Line" - a telephone support service to help people quit using tobacco? n = 168

Yes	47.6%	(± 9.0%)
No	52.4	(± 9.0)

Among current and recent former smokers who have heard of the "Quit-Line":

Would you ever call a telephone support service for help in quitting tobacco? n = 158

Definitely Yes	11.7%	(± 5.4%)
Probably Yes	16.6	(± 6.9)
Probably No	34.6	(± 9.3)
Definitely No	37.1	(± 8.8)

Among current and recent former smokers who have heard of the "Quit-Line":

Have you called the Quit line? n = 83

Yes	4.1%	(± 3.5%)
No	95.9	(± 3.5)

Among current tobacco users:

Would you like to quit using tobacco? n = 195

Yes	68.3%	(± 7.5%)
No	31.7	(± 7.5)

Among current tobacco users who would like to quit:

Are you seriously considering quitting tobacco use within the next 6 months? n = 136

Yes	83.2%	(± 8.1%)
No	16.8	(± 8.1)

Among current tobacco users considering quitting within 6 months:

Are you planning to stop within the next 30 days? n = 120

Yes	43.7%	(± 10.7%)
No	44.4	(± 10.5)
Don't know/Not sure	11.9	(± 7.0)

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Are you currently registered to vote?	n = 1118
Yes	83.2% (± 2.9%)
No	16.8 (± 2.9)

Which of the following statements best describes the rules about smoking in your home. . .	n = 1107
No one is allowed to smoke anywhere inside your home	87.8% (± 2.4%)
Smoking is allowed at some places or at some times	6.5 (± 1.8)
Smoking is permitted anywhere inside your home	5.7 (± 1.7)

How many people, including you, who live in your household currently smoke cigarettes, cigars, or pipes?	n = 1118
No current smokers in household	76.1% (± 3.1%)
1	15.3 (± 2.6)
2	6.8 (± 1.8)
3 or more	1.8 (± 1.3)

On how many of the past 30 days has someone, including you, smoked cigarettes, cigars, or pipes anywhere inside your home?	n = 1115
None	91.4% (± 2.0%)
Less than 30	4.1 (± 1.4)
30 days	4.5 (± 1.6)

If it were just up to you, would you let people smoke inside your home?	n = 1111
Yes	8.3% (± 1.9%)
No	91.7 (± 1.9)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

When you are at work, do you spend most of your time in an. . .	n = 640
Office	48.3% (± 4.6%)
Store	5.7 (± 2.2)
Restaurant or Bar	4.6 (± 2.2)
Warehouse or factory	7.5 (± 2.6)
Home/Someone elses home	9.2 (± 2.4)
Outdoors	8.7 (± 3.1)
Car or truck	2.2 (± 1.2)
Classroom	6.5 (± 2.3)
Hospital	5.5 (± 2.0)
Somewhere else	1.8 (± 1.0)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

Is smoking allowed in any of the following areas at your workplace. . . Some or all indoor work areas?	n = 616
Yes	7.7% (± 3.1%)
No	92.3 (± 3.1)

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Among people who are currently employed for wages:

Is smoking allowed in any of the following areas at your workplace. . . Employee lunchrooms or lounges? n = 594

Yes	5.2%	(± 2.7%)
No	94.8	(± 2.7)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

Is smoking allowed in any of the following areas at your workplace. . . A different designated indoor smoking area? n = 596

Yes	8.5%	(± 3.0%)
No	91.5	(± 3.0)

Among people who are currently employed for wages:

In a typical week, how many hours would you say that you are in a room or car with secondhand smoke while you are at work? n = 636

None	84.9%	(± 3.8%)
Less than one hour	7.0	(± 2.4)
One hour or more	8.1	(± 3.3)

In general, would you say that breathing secondhand smoke is. . .

n = 1099

Not at all annoying to you	9.9%	(± 2.2%)
A little bit annoying	11.5	(± 2.4)
Somewhat annoying	22.9	(± 3.0)
Very annoying to you	55.7	(± 3.5)

Would you say that breathing secondhand smoke is. . .

n = 1096

Not at all harmful	1.3%	(± 0.7%)
A little bit harmful	6.5	(± 1.7)
Somewhat harmful	25.1	(± 3.1)
Very harmful	67.2	(± 3.3)

All children should be protected from secondhand smoke.

n = 1093

Strongly agree	81.9%	(± 2.7%)
Somewhat agree	12.8	(± 2.3)
Somewhat disagree	3.5	(± 1.4)
Strongly disagree	1.8	(± 0.8)

Do you think that smoking should not be allowed at all in restaurants?

n = 1112

Yes	75.2%	(± 3.0%)
No	21.6	(± 2.9)
Don't know/Not sure	3.2	(± 1.1)

Do you think that smoking should not be allowed in bars and lounges?

n = 1101

Yes	39.4%	(± 3.4%)
No	51.8	(± 3.5)
Don't know/Not sure	8.8	(± 1.8)

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Do you think that smoking should not be allowed in outdoor public areas where children may be present?		n = 1103
Yes	56.2%	(± 3.5%)
No	37.9	(± 3.4)
Don't know/Not sure	6.0	(± 1.6)

Local law enforcement officials should place a high priority on enforcing laws that ban the possession of tobacco products by minors.		n = 1068
Strongly agree	50.6%	(± 3.5%)
Somewhat agree	22.6	(± 2.9)
Somewhat disagree	17.4	(± 2.7)
Strongly disagree	9.4	(± 2.1)

The city or town where you live should establish as many strong rules and laws as possible to protect nonsmokers, including children, from secondhand smoke.		n = 1078
Strongly agree	48.9%	(± 3.5%)
Somewhat agree	29.4	(± 3.2)
Somewhat disagree	12.4	(± 2.4)
Strongly disagree	9.2	(± 2.0)

School officials should make sure that all children receive anti-tobacco education.		n = 1101
Strongly agree	83.8%	(± 2.5%)
Somewhat agree	11.4	(± 2.2)
Somewhat disagree	2.1	(± 0.9)
Strongly disagree	2.7	(± 1.1)

Tobacco use by adults should not be allowed on school grounds or at any school events.		n = 1096
Strongly agree	84.9%	(± 2.4%)
Somewhat agree	9.0	(± 2.0)
Somewhat disagree	4.2	(± 1.4)
Strongly disagree	1.9	(± 0.8)

Have you seen or heard about any efforts or activities in your community or in schools to prevent or reduce tobacco use among youth?		n = 1048
Yes	39.3%	(± 3.5%)
No	60.7	(± 3.5)

There are so many things that cause cancer, tobacco use is not going to make any difference.		n = 1094
Strongly agree	7.6%	(± 1.9%)
Somewhat agree	5.8	(± 1.7)
Somewhat disagree	8.3	(± 1.8)
Strongly disagree	78.3	(± 2.9)

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Would you ever use or wear something that has a tobacco company logo or picture on it?		n = 1087	
Yes	12.0%	(± 2.5%)	
No	88.0	(± 2.5)	

Do you currently have a piece of clothing, or other item that has a tobacco brand or logo on it?		n = 1102	
Yes	6.5%	(± 1.8%)	
No	93.5	(± 1.8)	

During the past year, have you received a free sample or coupon for a free sample of cigarettes or other tobacco products?		n = 1095	
Yes	11.6%	(± 2.3%)	
No	88.4	(± 2.3)	

During the past year have you been somewhere, such as concert or special event, where tobacco companies were having a promotion - for example, giving away free samples or having a special give-away?		n = 1097	
Yes	10.7%	(± 2.2%)	
No	89.3	(± 2.2)	

Tobacco companies should have the same rights to advertise their products as other companies.		n = 1059	
Strongly agree	17.7%	(± 2.7%)	
Somewhat agree	26.3	(± 3.1)	
Somewhat disagree	16.4	(± 2.7)	
Strongly disagree	39.6	(± 3.5)	

<i>Among people with children ages 12 to 17:</i>			
Have you told your child specifically that you do not want him or her to use tobacco?		n = 210	
Yes	93.4%	(± 3.6%)	
No	6.6	(± 3.6)	

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